GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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FUNDING TO TERRORIST
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has received the study conducted by the Defence Studies and Analyses in regard to funding of money to organization and terrorists groups for anti-national movement;

(b) if so, the details of the facts mentioned in the report;

(c) whether any enquiry has been conducted by the Government on the basis of the reports;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government to stop the funding of such money?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a)&(b): The study report deals with various aspects of funding to organizations and groups engaged in anti-national and terrorist activities.

(c)to(e): In order to deal with the situation Government has adopted a multi pronged approach which includes strengthening the border management and coastal security to prevent smuggling, circulation of fake currency notes and drug trafficking the main sources for terrorist funding. The intelligence machinery has also been galvanized to neutralise the plans of ISI which is reported to be involved in financing terrorism in our country.

Besides, diplomatic initiatives have also been taken to combat trans-border crime and terrorism including terrorist funding.

The Prevention of Terrorism Act, 2002 and the Money Laundering Act, 2002 have been enacted to deal with terrorist funding.